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Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. This communication is responsive to 02/08/2006 (RCE).
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4, 6-11, and 21 (Renumbered 1-11).
3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All b) Some* c) None of the:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. Other _____.

DETAILED ACTION
EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Stephen J. Weed (Reg. No. 45, 202) on 02/21/2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

CANCEL CLAIMS 12-20, 22 and 23.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-4, 6-11, and 21 (Renumbered 1-11) are allowable.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: In response to remarks and claim amendments made in Applicant's Request for Continued Examination submitted 02/08/2006, as well as, an Interview on 02/21/2006, and upon conclusion of a comprehensive search of the pertinent prior art, the Office indicates that the claims, as amended, are allowable.

Regarding claim 1, patentability exists, at least in part, with a shield coupled to said electronic assembly and positioned to cover said second access opening defined by said enclosure, wherein said shield includes a cover portion having a substantially planar mating surface and a plurality of extensions adjacent said cover portion, said extensions together at least partially defining a channel extending along at least a

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portion of said cover portion, said channel having substantially parallel boundaries, said channel being configured to received a portion of the enclosure and to slidably engage the enclosure such that, when engaged, said substantially planar mating surface of said cover portion contacts said portion of the enclosure and covers said second access opening to inhibit electromagnetic interference emissions from the enclosure.

Boulay et al US Patent 5204494, Zachoszcz US Patent 5913583, and Herrick US Patent 5278351 are cited as disclosing related structure of an electronic assembly having an enclosure, a first access opening defined by said enclosure, and a second access opening defined by said enclosure; a device coupled to said electronic assembly via said first access opening.

The prior art, however, does not fairly teach a structure to slidably engage the enclosure, or suggest the structural limitations above in the manner as disclosed by the Applicants.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

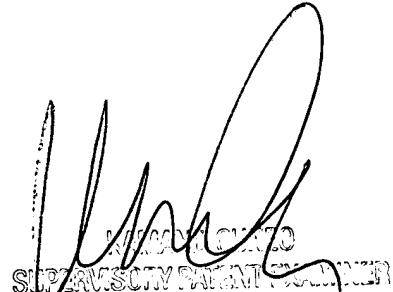
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dameon E. Levi whose telephone number is (571) 272-2105. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri. (9:00 - 5:00).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kamand Cuneo can be reached on (571) 272-1957. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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